PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 19 IN KNOXVILLE ON THE PROPOSED REISSUANCE OF A HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT TO ROHM AND HAAS

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on its proposal to reissue a hazardous waste storage permit to Rohm and Haas Chemicals LLC (R&H). The R&H facility (EPA ID TND058660390) is located in Knox County at 730 Dale Ave., Knoxville, TN 37921.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at the Lawson McGhee Library, 500 W. Church Ave., Knoxville, TN 37902, with a public informational session starting at 5:30 pm. The informational session will have a question and answer format where the public can inspect and discuss the draft permit, the fact sheet and other materials one-on-one with DSWM staff and representatives of the applicant. There will be an opportunity for public comments to be recorded or written and submitted during this time. The formal public hearing will begin at 6:00 pm EDT, and the question and answer format will end. Public comments will be collected for the hearing record without response from DSWM during the hearing. DSWM will explain its tentative decision to reissue the permit during the hearing, after which the applicant will describe the facility. DSWM will then receive oral comments on the draft permit from the public.

The current permit (TNHW-132) allows the facility to operate a hazardous waste container storage area with a maximum storage capacity of 9,900 gallons and a hazardous waste tank storage area with a maximum storage capacity of 7,900 gallons. The permit also includes corrective action conditions for the solid waste management units (SWMUs) and areas of concern (AOCs). The permit requires the facility to investigate any release of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents at the facility, regardless of the time at which waste was placed in a unit, and to take appropriate corrective action for any such release.

No changes are proposed to these storage and corrective action conditions. A final remedy for corrective action is proposed; it requires R&H to conduct insitu-groundwater remediation at the site.

DSWM proposes to reissue the permit under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Rule Chapter 0400-12-01, <u>Hazardous Waste Management</u>. DSWM prepared the draft permit and made it available for public inspection during a 45-day public comment period which ended on August 10, 2018, as announced in the June 26th edition of the <u>Knoxville News Sentinel</u>.

Electronic copies of the application, draft permit, fact sheet, and a Statement of Basis regarding the proposed final remedy are available online at tn.gov/environment/notices/rohm and at the DSWM Central Office in the Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 14th Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Paper copies are available for review at the Lawson McGhee Library, 500 W. Church Ave., Knoxville, TN 37902 (865-215-8750) and the TDEC Knoxville Environmental Field Office, 3711 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, TN 37921 (865-594-6035).

Public comments will be accepted until 4:30 pm on Thursday, September 20, 2018. **To comment on the proposed permit, contact Ms. Rita A. Swett in the Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage**

and Disposal Section of DSWM's Central Office at the TN Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 14th Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0828), email rita.swett@tn.gov or fax 615-532-0938. After considering all comments, DSWM will make a final decision to either issue or deny the renewal permit. Notice will be given to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final decision. At the time of a final decision, a Response to Comments addressing all significant input received on the draft permit will be made available to the public. The final permit shall become effective upon signing by the Director of DSWM.

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